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Re: Enclosed Request for Continued Examination (R.C.E.) and One-Month Extension of Time
 U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/059,422
 Our Reference: YOR.306CIP

Dear Examiner Doan:

Enclosed is a Request for Continued Examination (R.C.E.) and One-Month Extension of Time, which is responsive to the October 23, 2003 Office Action, which should place the above-referenced case in condition for allowance.

Thank you in advance for your consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,

Phillip E. Miller

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<i>Application Number</i>	10/059,422
<i>Filing Date</i>	January 31, 2002
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<i>Art Unit</i>	2814
<i>Examiner Name</i>	Theresa Doan
<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	YOR920010368US2

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